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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR PETITION FOR REFUND OF OVERPAID LARGE **ENTITY FEES**

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS:

Enclosed with this transmittal letter are the following papers:

- 1. Petition for Refund of Overpaid Large Entity Fees
- 2. Return postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

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PETITION FOR REFUND OF OVERPAID LARGE-ENTITY FEES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.26 and 1.27(g)(1) Refunds

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS:

REMARKS

The applicant hereby respectfully petitions, pursuant to 37 C.F.R \S 1.26 and 1.27(g)(1), for a refund of large-entity fees mistakenly paid.

The above-identified application was filed with a small-entity status claim. The applicant became a large entity on August 7, 2001. After the applicant became a large entity, the applicant paid \$1600, the large entity fee for a request for continued examination. Because of 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(1), which states:

Once status as a small entity has been established in an application or patent, fees as a small entity may thereafter be paid in that application or patent without regard to a change in status until the issue fee is due or any maintenance fee is due.

The applicant respectfully requests the refund of \$800, which is the difference between large and small entity fees paid for a request for continued examination.

Refunds can be placed in deposit account number 501050.

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